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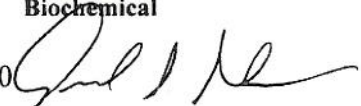
OFFICE OF PESTICIDES AND TOXIC SUBSTANCES

MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 24, 2010

SUBJECT: Registration Review: Product Chemistry Data Review for Vegetable and Flower Oils.

Registration Review Case #: 8021
PC Codes: 004901, 011332, 021901, 031605, 031608, 040500, 040502, 040503, 040517, 067200, 102701, 129029, 129030, 597501, 597800
CAS Numbers: 57-06-7, 120962-03-0, 8000-29-1, 8001-78-3, 8001-22-7, 8001-79-4, 8022-15-9, 8007-02-1, 8000-48-4, 8008-57-9, 61789-91-1, 97-53-0, 8007-75-8, 127-41-3, 106-24-1, 8007-46-3
Chemical Class: Biochemical

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ACTION REQUESTED

A preliminary assessment of available information on product chemistry data associated with the vegetable and flower oils and its biochemical products in support of the development of a Registration Review Work Plan.

Introduction

The EPA has made the determination that there is adequate information available on the vegetable and flower oils and will not require any additional data. The EPA considers the following sixteen active ingredients under the banner "Fruit and Vegetable Oils". Those active ingredients are summarized in the table below:

| CAS Number | PCC | Name |
|-------------|--------|--------------------|
| 57-06-7 | 004901 | Oil of mustard |
| 120962-03-0 | 011332 | Canola oil |
| 8000-29-1 | 021901 | Oil of citronella* |
| 8001-26-1 | 031603 | Linseed oil |
| 8001-22-7 | 031605 | Soybean oil* |
| 8001-79-4 | 031608 | Castor oil* |
| 8022-15-9 | 040500 | Lavandin oil |
| 8007-02-1 | 040502 | Oil of lemongrass |
| 8000-48-4 | 040503 | Oil of eucalyptus |
| 8008-57-9 | 040517 | Oil of orange |
| 61789-91-1 | 067200 | Jobba oil |
| 97-53-0 | 102701 | Eugenol* |
| 8007-75-8 | 129029 | Bergamot oil |
| 127-41-3 | 129030 | alpha-lonone |
| 106-24-1 | 597501 | Geraniol* |
| 8007-46-3 | 597800 | Oil of thyme* |

Table 1. Summary of Vegetable and Flower Oils. *indicates minimum risk pesticide under 40 CFR 152.25(f).

The vegetable and flower oil active ingredients are mainly intended for use as repellents. As noted above, some of the active ingredients have been deemed minimum risk pesticides when used according to the information found in 40 CFR 152.25(f). These pesticides are exempt from federal registration under section 25(b) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) when the products:

1. Contain only active ingredients that are listed as exempt under 25(b) of FIFRA.
2. Contain only inert ingredients classified by EPA as List 4A "Inert Ingredients of Minimal Concern."
3. All ingredients (active and inert) must be listed on the label.
4. The label does not include any false or misleading statements or claim to protect human or public health. The label also cannot imply federal registration.
5. Public health claims are prohibited, with few exceptions.

Active ingredients registered as biochemicals normally require a complete data set on the technical grade active ingredient (TGAI) per the guideline in 40 CFR 158.2030. Some of the active ingredients that are considered under the umbrella term vegetable and flower oils have not been required to submit a complete data set on the TGAI due to exemption under section 25(b) of FIFRA. In these instances, equivalent data has been submitted if and when an end-use product (EP) has been submitted to the Agency for registration. These end-use products are often a blend

of several active ingredients that may or may not include other vegetable and flower oils and other biopesticides. As such, the product chemistry data collected on these end-use products are not applicable to the registration review of the vegetable and flower oils.

The other active ingredients listed above are currently used in products registered by the Agency. A data table has been assembled alongside this document identifying the biochemical pesticides product chemistry data requirements and how these products have satisfied the aforementioned requirements. Of note is that many of the data requirements have been satisfied with use of analysis pertaining to the end use product and not the active ingredient alone. The Agency has reviewed this data. The Agency is satisfied that sufficient data is available on the vegetable and flower oils and does not anticipate the need for additional data. A summary of data related to the vegetable and flower oils are presented below.

Oil of mustard (PCC 004901) is listed as an active ingredient in four active registrations with a maximum concentration of 4.43%.

Canola oil (PCC 011332) is listed as an active ingredient in six active registrations with a maximum concentration of 89.5%.

Oil of citronella (PCC 021901) is listed as an active ingredient in thirteen active registrations with a maximum concentration of 4.2%.

Soybean oil (PCC 031605) is listed as an active ingredient in three active registrations with a maximum concentration of 98%.

Castor oil (PCC 031608) is listed as an active ingredient in one active registration with a maximum concentration of 100%.

Lavandin oil (PCC 040500) is listed as an active ingredient in two active registrations with a maximum concentration of 17.29%.

Oil of lemongrass (PCC 040502) is listed as an active ingredient in two active registrations with a maximum concentration of 2%.

Oil of eucalyptus (PCC 040503) is listed as an active ingredient in six active registrations with a maximum concentration of 100%.

Oil of orange (PCC 040517) is listed as an active ingredient in two active registrations with a maximum concentration of 0.02%.

Jojoba oil (PCC 067200) is listed as an active ingredient in two active registrations with a maximum concentration of 97.5%.

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Eugenol (PCC 102701) is listed as an active ingredient in thirteen active registrations with a maximum concentration of 4.2%.

Bergamot oil (PCC 129029) is listed as an active ingredient in two active registrations with a maximum concentration of 0.11%.

Geraniol (PCC 597501) is listed as an active ingredient in eleven active registrations with a maximum concentration of 17.28%.

Oil of thyme (PCC 597800) is listed as an active ingredient in one active registration with a maximum concentration of 36%.

alpha-Ionone (PCC 129030) is listed as an active ingredient in two active registrations with a maximum concentration of 0.01%.

| Physical and Chemical Properties | Guideline Number | Oil of Mustard | Canola Oil |
|--|------------------|---|-------------------|
| Product identity and composition | 830.1100 | CBI | CBI |
| Description of starting materials, production and formulation process | 830.1200 | CBI | CBI |
| Discussion of formation of impurities | 830.1400 | CBI | CBI |
| Preliminary Analysis | 830.1700 | CBI | CBI |
| Color | 830.6302 | Colorless | pale yellow |
| Physical state | 830.6303 | Liquid at ambient temp | liquid |
| Odor | 830.6304 | Pungent | odorless |
| Stability to normal and elevated temperatures, metals and metal ions | 830.6313 | Stable | Stable |
| pH | 830.7000 | N/A | 6.82 |
| Boiling point/boiling range | 830.7220 | 152oC | N/A |
| Density | 830.7300 | 1.02 g/mL @15oC | 0.92 g/mL @19.5oC |
| Particle size, fiber length, and diameter distribution | 830.7520 | N/A | N/A |
| | 830.7550 | | |
| | 830.7560 | | |
| Partition coefficient (n-Octanol/Water) | 830.7570 | N/A | EP testing |
| Water solubility | 830.7840 | slightly soluble, miscible w/ether, chloroform, and benzene | soluble |
| Vapor pressure | 830.7950 | 3.5 mmHg | EP testing |

| Oil of Citronella | Soybean Oil | Castor Oil | Lavandin Oil | Oil of Lemongrass | Oil of Eucalyptus | Oil of Orange |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| CBI | CBI | CBI | CBI | CBI | CBI | CBI |
| CBI | CBI | CBI | CBI | CBI | CBI | CBI |
| CBI | CBI | CBI | CBI | CBI | CBI | CBI |
| | Amber | | White | pale yellow | | |
| | Liquid | | Liquid | liquid | | |
| | Slightly aromatic | | Odorless | herbaceous odor | | |
| | Stable | | N/A | Stable | | |
| | 7.5 | | <u>8.4@25oC</u> | N/A | | |
| | >250oC | | N/A | N/A | | |
| | 7.68 lbs/gal @20oC | | N/A | 0.855 g/mL | | |
| | N/A | | N/A | N/A | | |
| | N/A | | N/A | N/A | | |
| | Emulsifies upon contact with water | | N/A | N/A | | |
| | N/A | | N/A | N/A | | |

| Jojoba Oil | Eugenol | Bergamot Oil | Geraniol | Oil of Thyme | alpha-Ionone |
|------------|-------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| CBI | CBI | CBI | CBI | CBI | CBI |
| CBI | CBI | CBI | CBI | CBI | CBI |
| CBI | CBI | CBI | CBI | CBI | CBI |
| CBI | CBI | CBI | CBI | CBI | CBI |
| | Pale to dark yellow | | Colorless | | Pale yellow |
| | Liquid | | Liquid | | Liquid |
| | Sweet spicy clove woody | | sweet floral fruity rose waxy | | Cedar wood |
| | Stable | | Stable | | Stable |
| | <u>6.8@21oC</u> | | <u>6.3@20oC</u> | | N/A |
| | 264.2oC | | 239.89oC | | 238oC |
| | 1.050 g/mL | | 7.231 lbs/gal | | 0.931 g/mL |
| | Not found? | | Not found? | | N/A |
| | | | | | |
| | 2.73 | | 3.47 | | N/A |
| | Insoluble | | insoluble | | N/A |
| | 0.00948 mmHg | | 0.0159 mmHg | | <1 mmHg @68oC |